

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**HB 761 - SB 1003**

March 14, 2003

**SUMMARY OF BILL:**

- Prevents the owner or operator of a motor vehicle involved in an accident who does not maintain proof of financial responsibility from recovering for the first \$10,000 of bodily injury and the first \$10,000 of property damage as a result of any civil action or claim arising out of the accident.
- Specifies instances in which this limitation of recovery does not apply.
- Provides that the owner of a motor vehicle who fails to maintain proof of financial responsibility and who is awarded, in an action to recover damages, any amount equal to or less than the limit provided for in the bill is responsible for all court costs incurred by all parties to the action.
- Requires any person applying for a driver license, motor vehicle title or registration to sign a declaration form acknowledging and consenting to the provisions of the bill.
- Provides for rights of insurers with regards to provisions of the bill.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$150,000**

**Decrease State Revenues - Less than \$100,000**

Estimate assumes:

- an increase in state expenditures for the declaration forms required under the provisions of the bill.
- 6,000,000 forms for titling and registration and 1,500,000 forms for driver license applicants at a cost of two cents per form.
- individuals whose license would have been revoked because of accident claims against them made by an uninsured motorist would not lose their license under the provisions of the bill.
- the uninsured motorist could not make a claim unless the damage was greater than \$10,000 resulting in a decrease in driver license reinstatement fees (\$115) estimated to be less than \$100,000 based on an estimated 10% of the 7,500 revocations because of accident claims from uninsured claimants.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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